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*Via Hand Carry to
Art Unit 1652
Attn: Examiner Rao*

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/558,421; Filed: April 26, 2000
For: **Mutant DNA Polymerases and Uses Thereof**
Inventor: Chatterjee, D.K.
Our Ref: 0942.3600003/RWE/BJD

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Supplemental Showing by Applicant Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.608(b);
2. Declaration of Harini Shandilya with attached Exhibits A-E; and
3. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian J. Del Buono", written over a horizontal line.

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Sir:

It is noted that Applicant filed a Request for Interference Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.607, and a Showing Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.608(b), in the captioned matter on December 4, 2001. It is also noted that the copy of the Declaration of Harini Shandilya filed on that date as a part of Applicant's Showing was unexecuted. Therefore, further to the Showing filed on December 4, 2001, attached hereto is an executed copy of the Declaration of Harini Shandilya. This executed copy contains the same statements as the unexecuted Declaration filed on December 4, 2001, and has been revised to update the application data (the unexecuted Declaration referenced the parent application and filing date, as it was a copy from that parent case). It is therefore respectfully requested that the attached executed Declaration of Harini Shandilya and the attached Exhibits A-D be entered into the present application as a part of the Showing Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.608(b) filed on December 4, 2001, and that it be considered in support of Applicant's Request for Interference currently of record.

For at least the reasons now of record, Applicant respectfully requests that an interference be expeditiously declared between the present application and U.S. Patent No. 5,614,365. Early notification to this effect is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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